## MOUNTAINS RECREATION AND CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** pursuant to Government Code § 54954 that the Governing Board of the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority will hold a regular meeting on Wednesday, November 7, 2007 at 2:00 p.m. at the Conejo Recreation and Park District, 403 West Hillcrest Drive, Thousand Oaks, California.

## **AGENDA**

- I. Call to order.
- II. Roll call.
- III. Public Testimony on all agenda items and public comment on matters not on the agenda.
- IV. Reports from Staff:
  - (a) Legal;
  - (b) Ranger Services;
  - (c) Natural Resources and Planning;
  - (d) Interpretation:
  - (e) Developed Resources;
  - (f) Construction;
  - (g) Facilities and Maintenance;
  - (h) Finance.
- V. Consent Calendar:
  - (a) Consideration of resolution adopting the MRCA Warrant Disbursements for the period of September 27, 2007 to October 30, 2007.
  - (b) Consideration of resolution authorizing acceptance of a conservation easement over a portion of APN 2292-010-032, Westridge Canyonback Park adjacent, Encino.
  - (c) Consideration of resolution authorizing the use of Santa Monica Mountains Open Space Preservation Assessment District No. 1 funds to acquire APNs 5577-008-001 and 002, 5581-005-001, 5581-010-001 and 002, and authorizing the granting of said funds to a public or not-for-profit entity, Cahuenga Peak, Hollywood.

- (d) Consideration of resolution authorizing acceptance of a donation of APN 4438-034-012, 10-acres, Saddle Peak, Topanga Canyon.
- (e) Consideration of resolution authorizing a sole source contract with Englander and Associates for communication services for public safety including a fire season crisis communication plan.
- (f) Consideration of resolution authorizing a sole source contract with Brett Goldstone for the Vista Hermosa Park project.
- (g) Consideration of resolution authorizing a sole source contract with Brett Goldstone for the removal, repair, and reinstallation of the Westridge trailhead wrought iron vehicle gate.
- (h) Consideration of resolution authorizing applications for grant funds from the Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation Program under the Section 164.56 of the Streets and Highways Code.
- (i) Consideration of resolution authorizing (a) acquisition of parcel 5608-010-001 in Los Angeles County Chapter 8 Agreement 2572 using public, private, and in-lieu-fee mitigation funds; (b) acceptance of funds, and (c) transfer of said property to the City of Burbank.
- (j) Consideration of resolution authorizing acquisition of properties in Los Angeles County Chapter 8 Agreement 2570, using public, private, and inlieu-fee mitigation funds, La Tuna Canyon, Knollwood, and Tujunga areas, Los Angeles.
- (k) Consideration of resolution authorizing acquisition of properties in Los Angeles County Chapter 8 Agreement 2575, using public, private, and in-lieufee mitigation funds, Montecito Heights, Monterey Hills, Glassell Park, and Mount Washington areas, Los Angeles.
- (I) Consideration of resolution authorizing acquisition of properties in Los Angeles County Chapter 8 Agreement 2574, using public, private, and in-lieufee mitigation funds, Topanga Canyon and Carbon Canyon areas, 3rd Supervisorial District, unincorporated Los Angeles County.
- (m) Consideration of resolution authorizing acquisition of properties in Los Angeles County Chapter 8 Agreement 2571, using public, private, and in-lieufee mitigation funds, Deerlake Highlands, Acton, and Castaic areas, 5th Supervisorial District, unincorporated Los Angeles County.

- (n) Consideration of resolution authorizing the augmentation of the contract with Christopher Glenn Masonry for stonework on the amphitheater at the Rubell Memorial in Temescal Gateway Park.
- (o) Consideration of resolution authorizing a sole source contract with Rebecca Frank to create an interactive curriculum-based educational website that focuses on the Mediterranean biome in general and the Santa Monica Mountains in particular.
- (p) Consideration of resolution authorizing acceptance of a 29-acre conservation easement (APN 2052-009-012) donation adjacent to Liberty Canyon, Agoura Hills.
- VI. MRCA Cash reports for the 4th quarter of Fiscal Year 2006-2007 and the 1st quarter of Fiscal Year 2007-2008, as required under section 11.4 (d) of the MRCA Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement.
- VII. Consideration of resolution authorizing augmentation of contract with Triple R Construction for completion of roofing and associated improvements to Franklin Canyon Park auditorium.
- VIII. Consideration of resolution approving the action of the Executive Officer in establishing the employment category of Emergency On-Call Firefighter including the establishment of employment terms and compensation.
- IX. Consideration of resolution authorizing the use of Santa Monica Mountains Open Space Preservation Assessment District No. 1 Area B funds to acquire up to 125 properties owned by the City of Los Angeles in Beverly Glen Canyon and authorizing adding those properties as necessary to the Final Engineer's Report, Los Angeles.
- X. Consideration of resolution authorizing the Assistant Financial Officer to sign State of California Office of Emergency Services Project Application for Federal Assistance regarding Federal Disaster Number DR-1585.
- XI. Consideration of resolution requesting that the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy allow a change of scope to Grant No. SMM-0776.
- XII. Consideration of resolution authorizing (a) the acquisition of APN 4467-003-031 an approximately 6-acre property in the Escondido and Ramirez Canyon watersheds; (b) acceptance of public and private funding for said acquisition; (c) use of Coastal Habitat Impact Mitigation Fund funding; (d) the transfer of both easement and fee simple interests of portions of said property to the owner of APN 4465-004-071, and

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- (e) the acceptance of conservation easements over any fee simple portion of APN 4467-003-031 that is transferred, Malibu. Negotiators: Joseph T. Edmiston and Morrie Lewis. Under consideration: terms and price. (This item may be heard in closed session pursuant to Section 54956.8 of the Government Code.)
- XIII. Consideration of resolution authorizing (a) the acquisition of trail and conservation easements over portions of APNs 4467-002-041, 4465-004-070 and 4465-004-071 in Ramirez Canyon totaling approximately seven acres; (b) acceptance of public and private funding for said acquisitions; (c) acceptance of a conservation easement over a portion of APN 4465-004-71, and (d) use of Coastal Habitat Impact Mitigation Fund funding, unincorporated Malibu area. Negotiators: Joseph T. Edmiston and Sparky Greene. Under consideration: terms and price. (This item may be heard in closed session pursuant to Section 54956.8 of the Government Code.)
- XIV. Statements, questions, and directions to staff pursuant to Section 54954.2 of the Government Code.

## XV. Closed Session.

The Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority may hold a closed session on the following items pursuant to Government Code §§ 54956.8 and 54956.9. Confidential memoranda related to these items may be considered during such closed session discussions. Conference with legal counsel. Number of cases: 5. (1) Ramirez Canyon Preservation Fund v. Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority and Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy; (2) Robings v. Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority, Case No. LC077488; (3) Robings v. Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority, Case No. BC377233; (4) Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority v. City of Malibu, and related litigation, and (5) City of Malibu v. Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority.

XVI. Announcement of future meetings and adjournment.

Public comment is welcome on any agenda item and matters not on the agenda. During the meeting the Governing Board may hold a closed session on any item pursuant to Government Code §§ 54956.8 and 54956.9. Unless otherwise ordered, individuals will be allowed three minutes to speak and representatives of organizations/agencies will be given five minutes. For further information on any agenda item please contact Rorie Skei, Chief Deputy Executive Officer, at (310) 589-3230, extension 112.

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including auxiliary aids or services, please call Board Secretary at 310-589-3230, extension 118, at least 10 hours prior to the meeting.